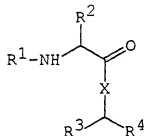


A B S T R A C T

The present invention relates to a novel fatty acid derivative of the following formula :



wherein R¹ is acyl group;

R² is acyl(lower)alkyl;

R³ is hydrogen, aryl(lower)alkyl, etc;

R⁴ is acyl(lower)alkyl; and

X is -O-, -NH- or $\begin{array}{c} \text{R}^5 \\ | \\ \text{-N-} \end{array}$

[wherein R⁵ is lower alkyl, etc];

and a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, which is useful as a medicament; the processes for the preparation of said fatty acid derivative or a salt thereof;

a pharmaceutical composition comprising said fatty acid derivative or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof; etc.